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SUBJECT: ANTIDUMPING: KRAFT LINER

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1. WE HAVE HEARD ON AN INFORMAL BASIS FROM OUR PAPER INDUSTRY CONTACTS HERE THAT EUROPEAN PAPER MANUFACTURERS ARE INCREASINGLY ALARMED ABOUT THE LOW SELLING PRICES OF U.S. KRAFT LINER IN EUROPE AND THAT A DUMPING COMPLAINT MAY BE FILED WITH THE EC COMMISSION.

2. THE BRITISH PAPER AND BOARD INDUSTRY FEDERATION (BPBIF), WHICH REPRESENTS DOMESTIC PAPER MANUFACTURERS AS DISTINCT FROM PAPER IMPORTERS, HAS "INFORMALLY" NOTIFIED THE EMBASSY OF ITS "ALARM" AT THE CONTINUING LOW PRICES AT WHICH U.S. KRAFT LINER IS SOLD IN THE UK. THE FEDERATION CLAIMS U.S. PRODUCERS ARE ATTEMPTING TO WIN

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BACK A LARGER SHARE OF THE UK KRAFT MARKET BY CUTTING PRICES, WHICH IT SAYS ARE NOW VERY CLOSE TO DUMPING PRICE LEVELS. UK INDUSTRY HAS PUT THEIR CONCERNS ON RECORD WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE BUT DOES NOT INTEND TO FILE A FORMAL DUMPING COMPLAINT UNLESS U.S. PRICES DROP SOMEWHAT FURTHER.

3. BPBIF CLAIMS UK KRAFT PRICES ARE EVEN LOWER IN CONTINENTAL EUROPE AND THAT DUMPING APPEARS TO BE TAKING PLACE, ESPECIALLY IN FRANCE. WE UNDERSTAND FRENCH PAPER PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION, COPACEL, HAS RECENTLY MADE A COMPLAINT TO GOF WHICH IS NOW CONSIDERING WHETHER TO FILE AN OFFICIAL DUMPING COMPLAINT WITH THE EC COMMISSION.

4. U.S. KRAFT LINER WAS A SENSITIVE ISSUE BETWEEN OURSELVES AND THE BRITISH LAST YEAR OVER THE QUESTION OF PRODUCT "PURITY" FOR TARIFF PURPOSES, AND THE U.S. INDUSTRY WAS VERY INSISTENT THAT THE USG FULLY PROTECT ITS UK POSITION. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO NOTIFY MEISTER AT API ABOUT ABOVE DEVELOPMENTS ON KRAFT LINER.

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